

## Recommended pandemic supplies for schools

- Disposable gloves
- Disposable surgical face masks
- Small First Aid Kit for every classroom
- Tissues
- Bathroom supplies
- Cleaning supplies (paper towel, bleach and other disinfectants)
- Portable radio, batteries, or other communication system



## Helpful websites

1. CDC – Stopping the Germ at Home, Work and School:  
[www.cdc.gov/germstopper/home\\_work\\_school.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/germstopper/home_work_school.htm)
2. National Science Foundation (NSF) Scrub Club website:  
[www.scrubclub.org/home.php](http://www.scrubclub.org/home.php)
3. School Network for Absenteeism Prevention, It's a SNAP website:  
[www.itsasnap.org/snap/about.asp](http://www.itsasnap.org/snap/about.asp)
4. Glo Germ, Hand washing Tool:  
[www.glogerm.com/](http://www.glogerm.com/)
5. U.S. Government Pandemic Flu website:  
[www.pandemicflu.gov/](http://www.pandemicflu.gov/)
6. U.S. DHHS Pandemic Plan:  
[www.hhs.gov/pandemicflu/plan/](http://www.hhs.gov/pandemicflu/plan/)
7. World Health Organization Pandemic website:  
[www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/pandemic/en/](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/pandemic/en/)

# Pandemic Influenza



## How Will A Pandemic Affect Your School?

## Impact on student learning

1. 30% of workforce may be absent during a pandemic.
2. Class schedules, transportation times, and after school activities may need to be rearranged.
3. Schools may be closed for a period of time.



## Possible solutions

1. Develop a communications plan for:
  - Possible school closures
  - Announcements to staff and parents

- Distribution of pandemic flu health education materials
2. Develop alternate methods of instruction:
    - Staggered school hours
    - Web-based learning
    - Resources for home schooling
  3. Review procedures for:
    - Good classroom hygiene
    - Relocating and sending ill students home
    - Providing information to non-English speaking families.
    - Communicating with County public health

## Healthy Habits

*Cleaning and disinfecting common equipments and surfaces, as well as reminding students and teachers to practice good personal hygiene, will go a long way in reducing the spread of disease at school.*

1. Disinfect and clean frequently touched surfaces, shared toys and art supplies etc. at least once a day.
2. Stock up on hand sanitizers and hand soap.
3. Encourage students and teachers to wash their hands frequently.
4. Encourage students and teachers to stay home if they are not feeling well.
5. Encourage students and teachers to cover their coughs and sneezes with tissue or shirt sleeves and not use their hands.
6. Post *Cover Your Cough* posters (available for free through WC DHHS).